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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2450
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DISINVESTMENT OF RANJIT HOTEL AND BHARAT HOTEL
ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY;DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently finalised the sale of Ranjit Hotel and Bharat Hotel to Reliance group;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the reserve price fixed for the disinvestment of Ranjit Hotel and Bharat Hotel;

(d) whether in an unprecedented move the evaluation committee on ITDC disinvestment has decided to review the valuation of hotel Ranjit;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government have any disinvestment plan for ITDC hotel in future in the country; and

(g) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF DISINVESTMENT AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) The Government is concerned with the disinvestment of Hotel Ranjit, New Delhi, a unit of India Tourism Development Corporation Ltd, which is a public sector undertaking under the Department of Tourism. Bharat Hotels Limited is a company in the private sector and as such the Government is not in a position to decide about its affairs.

(c) Reserve price for Hotel Ranjit has not yet been fixed.

(d) & (e) The process of determining the reserve price for disinvestment in Hotel Ranjit is on as per the procedure in all other cases of disinvestment. No unprecedented move has been made in this case.

(f) & (g) The Government has not formulated any State-specific disinvestment plan for the ITDC hotels. Till date, disinvestment of 100% Government equity in 11 hotels of India Tourism Development Corporation Ltd (ITDC) has been completed and 1 hotel, namely, Hotel Ashok Bangalore (including Airport Restaurant) has been given on Lease-cum-management contract. Decision in the case of 6 more hotel properties has been taken and transactions would be concluded shortly. The position of the remaining hotels of ITDC is given at Annexure.

Annexure

Annexure to the reply to parts (f) & (g) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2450 for 30.07.2002 regarding `Disinvestment of Ranjit Hotel and Bharat Hotel by Shri Adhir Chowdhury and Shri Dalpat Singh `Parsti`.

(A) ITDC owned Hotels

S.No.	Hotel	Remarks
1	Hotel Ranjit, New Delhi	Advertisement inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) was issued on 5/8.2.01 for sale of 99.97% equity. The property is to be sold on the basis of

current land use under the Master Plan of Delhi i.e., `local shopping`. A Committee has been formed to determine the rate at which the land value is to be computed.

2 Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneswar Advertisement inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) was issued on 1.1.02 for sale of 99.97% equity. Data room study & due diligence have been completed. Concurrence of State Government to share disinvestment proceeds has been received. Further process is on.

3 Hotel Jaipur Ashok Advertisement inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) was issued on 1.1.02 for sale of 99.97% equity. Data room study & due diligence have been completed. Concurrence of State Government to share the disinvestment proceeds awaited.

4 Hotel Pataliputra Ashok, Patna - do -

5 Hotel Jammu Ashok - do -

6 Ashok Hotel, New Delhi Advt. inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) was issued on 11.12.00 for transferring the hotel on lease-cum-management contract. There was no bidder after two rounds of bidding in Nov, 2001 & Jan, 2002. It has been decided in March, 2002 to exclude the hotel from disinvestment transaction pending formulation of fresh proposals by Ministry of Tourism & Culture.

7 Hotel Janpath, New Delhi Advt. inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) was issued on 5/8.2.01 for sale of 99.97% equity. There was no bidder when bids were invited in January `02. It has been decided in March, 2002 to exclude the hotel from disinvestment transaction pending formulation of fresh proposals by Ministry of Tourism & Culture. Dept of Tourism proposes to convert the hotel into Bharat Paryatan Bhavan.

8 Hotel Samrat, New Delhi Advertisement inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) was issued on 5/8.2.01 for transferring the hotel on lease-cum-management contract. Financial bids have not been invited due to security related concerns. In March 2002 it has been decided that the re-advertisement for this hotel may be issued after addressing the security related concerns in consultation with the security agencies.

9 Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel, Mysore Proposed to be given on lease-cum-management contract in accordance with the recommendations of Disinvestment Commission. ITDC is operating the hotel on land & building given on lease by Govt. of Karnataka. The Agreement provides for termination of the lease on privatisation. Could not be taken up since the State Govt. has not given its concurrence for disinvestment.

(B) Joint Venture Hotels

S.No. Hotel Remarks

1 Hotel Neelachal Ashok, Puri Joint venture between ITDC (98%) and OTDC (2%). Concurrence of State Government to share disinvestment proceeds received. Further process is on.

2 Hotel Ranchi Ashok, Ranchi Joint Venture between ITDC (51%) and BSTDC(49%). Concurrence of State Govt. to share the disinvestment proceeds awaited.

3 Hotel Lakeview Ashok, Bhopal Joint Venture between ITDC (51%) and MPSTDC (49%). Concurrence of State Govt. to share the disinvestment proceeds awaited.

4 Hotel Brahmaputra Ashok, Guwahati. Joint Venture between ITDC (51%) and Govt. of Assam(49%). Concurrence of State Govt. to share the disinvestment proceeds awaited.

5 Hotel Pondicherry Ashok, Pondicherry Joint Venture between ITDC (51%) and PIPDIC (49%). Concurrence of State Govt. to share the disinvestment proceeds awaited.

6 Hotel Donyi Polo Ashok, Itanagar Joint Venture between ITDC (51%) and APIDFC (49%). Concurrence of State Govt. to share the disinvestment proceeds awaited.

7 Hotel Punjab Ashok, Anandpur Sahib Incomplete project. Joint Venture between ITDC (51%) and PTDC(49%). Concurrence of State Govt. to share the disinvestment proceeds awaited.